OKAY. SO, THIS IS WHAT HAPPENED, JEN--

NO, NO, NOT YET, GO BACK!

WHAT? KEH, FINE.

DARKRAI, THEN--

WHO'S ACTUALLY XDOO2.

YES, WE KNOW. DARKRAI IS BEING HELD CAPTIVE BY VICTINI...

XDOO8!

THANK YOU! ANYWAY,

DARKRAI AND VICTINI HAVE ARRANGED TO BRING A HUMAN TO--

WHERE ARE WE, ANYWAY?

I DUNNO.

DOESN'T MATTER YET. LET'S GO ON.

UN-FORTUNATELY, A BUNCH OF HOUNDOOM ARE ALREADY THERE WAITING FOR HER.

AND THEY CHASE HER ALL THE WAY TO THE MOUNTAINS, WHERE SHE MEETS--

YOU!

YEAH, OKAY. GIVE IT BACK.

SO THAT NIGHT, WHEN SHE FALLS ASLEEP

DARKRAI ATTACKS HER IN HER DREAM.

BUT GENGAR USES DREAM EATER AND BREAKS THE CONNECTION.

...I STILL DON'T KNOW WHY I DID THAT.

'CAUSE YOU LIKE ME.

SSH. ANYWAY, A FEW DAYS LATER...

THE HOUNDOOM COME BACK...

DARKRAI SENT THEM.

YEAH, SO WE KNOW SOMETHING'S REALLY NOT RIGHT HERE.

UH, SO, GENGAR AND JEN DECIDE TO LEAVE, AND GET SOME ANSWERS FROM XATU THE SAGE...

THAT'S FROM RED-BLUE RESCUE TEAM!

QUIT BREAKIN' THE FOURTH WALL!

SO, THEY GOTTA GET TO GREAT CANYON, WHICH IS WHERE XATU LIVES.

BUT THE DOGS ARE COMING AFTER THEM, AND AT THAT POINT...

KECLEON SHOWS UP TO HELP!

UGH. YEAH, OKAY. HE'S GOT SOMETHING TO DO WITH CELEBI, BUT WE DON'T KNOW THAT YET.

NOW WHO'S BREAKING THE FOURTH WALL?

SMARTASS.

...SO, KECLEON OFFERS TO HELP GUIDE THEM THROUGH THE BADLANDS...

AND HOPEFULLY DITCH THE DOGS AT THE SAME TIME.

BUT THAT NIGHT ...UGH, I DON'T WANNA DO THIS BIT.

I WILL.

DARKRAI VISITS GENGAR IN HIS DREAM.

THE TRUTH IS, GENGAR'S ACTUALLY A HUMAN TOO.

A LONG TIME AGO HE HAD A PARTNER CALLED GARDEVOIR, AND SOME BAD STUFF HAPPENED...

AND GARDEVOIR ... KINDA DIED, EXCEPT NOT.

IT'S ALL IN RED-BLUE RESCUE TEAM.

UM, SO DARKRAI... **LEARNS** ALL OF THIS FROM GENGAR'S DREAM, SO NOW HE KNOWS THE TRUTH ABOUT GENGAR.

AND HE THREATENS GENGAR WITH TELLING JEN THE SECRET, UNLESS GENGAR LEAVES.

AND THAT'S WHERE WE STOP, ISN'T IT?

YUP. THAT'S ALL THE FIRST BOOK.

SEEMED LONGER WHEN WE WERE DOING IT.

OKAY, HERE WE GO, BOOK 2.

WHERE WERE WE?

GREAT CANYON---WE JUST GOT THERE.

BUT, IT TURNS OUT XATU WASN'T THERE ANY MORE.

SO THE WHOLE THING WAS KINDA... EHEH, YEAH. GUESS MY INFO WAS A BIT OUT OF DATE.

THE HOUNDOOM ARE COMING, BUT KECLEON SAYS HE KNOWS A PLACE TO HIDE FROM THEM.

THERE WAS WAY TOO MUCH WATER IN THIS BOOK.

ANYWAY, SO YEAH, THEY GO IN...

AND THEY MEET THIS GUY, GRAVELER.

WHO'S GRUMPY BUT REALLY KINDA NICE.

SO-- OKAY, ONE-ETE AND HIS PACK ARE STUCK OUTSIDE-- SUCKS TO BE THEM.

AND WE ALL GO TO SLEEP, BUT THEN ...

NOOO...

YEAH, DARKRAI'S BACK.

SO, UH, GENGAR WAKES UP JUST IN TIME AND BREAKS THE CONNECTION

THE DOGS ARE STILL WAITING, SO NEXT MORNING GRAVELER TELLS KECLEON ABOUT A SECRET WAY OUT OF THE CAVE.

SO THEY DON'T KNOW IT, BUT WE'VE GOTTEN A HEAD START.

KECLEON TELLS JEN AND GENGAR ABOUT A PLACE CALLED TREASURE TOWN.

WHICH IS FROM TIME-DARKNESS-SKY, THE DS GAMES.

YES, WE KNOW.

THEY MIGHT NOT.

JEN! OKAY, SO, UH, THEY DECIDE TO GO THERE AND ASK THE EXPLORER'S GUILD FOR HELP.

BUT FIRST, THERE'S A SWAMP IN THE WAY, AND IT'S FULL OF--

THESE THINGS. WHY DO THEY EVEN EXIST, SERIOUSLY?

I GUESS WE ANNOYED THEM WITH THE NOISE WE WERE MAKING.

YEAH. SO UH, AFTER THAT WE ALL KINDA HAD A HEART-TO-HEART...

GENGAR TELLS THE OTHERS THE TRUTH ABOUT HIS PAST AND GARDEVOIR.

BUUT, IT TURNS OUT DARKRAI WAS BUSY ELSEWHERE THAT NIGHT...

SO NOW DARKRAI CAN'T BLACKMAIL HIM WITH IT. AND KECLEON KNOWS JEN IS HUMAN, TOO.

HE'S THREATENING ONE-EYE, 'CAUSE IT TURNS OUT HE AND VICTINI HAVE ONE-EYE'S PUP.

SO ONE-EYE'S NOT GONNA GIVE UP, EVER.

I FEEL SORRY FOR HIM.

I DON'T, NOT AFTER THE NEXT BIT.

YOU MEAN AFTER YOU GOT BIT?

HAR HAR. VERY GOOD. ANYWAY, THEY'RE GETTING PRETTY CLOSE TO TREASURE TOWN.

NEXT EVENING THEY CAN EVEN SEE IT.

BUT THEN...

TURNS OUT ONE-EYE BEAT THEM TO IT.

AND HE BIT YOU!

YEAH, AND IT'S NOT FUNNY, IT HURT.

KECLEON DECIDES TO LEAVE US AND RUN FOR THE TOWN TO TELL THE GUILD.

WHICH LEAVES US IN ...NOT THE GREATEST SITUATION.

YEAH, BUT IT TURNS OUT OKAY.

BECAUSE KECLEON DID GET THROUGH, AND THE GUILD SHOWS UP AND RESCUES US!

IT WAS HUMILIATING.

IT WAS NOT, IT WAS AWESOME. YOU WERE ASLEEP ANYWAY, HOW DO YOU EVEN KNOW?

KEH, WHATEVER. YOU KNOW WHAT WE'VE LEFT OUT THOUGH?

OH! YEAH, THERE'S SOMETHING ELSE GOING ON AT THE SAME TIME AS ALL THIS...

THESE GUYS. THEY'VE BEEN LOOKING INTO THE "XD" THING.

IT'S FROM COLOSSEUM AND GALE OF DARKNESS.

THEY'VE FOUND OUT THAT DARKRAI WAS USED AS ONE OF CIPHER'S EXPERIMENTS

THE XD PROCESS CLOSES A POKÉMON'S HEART.

CIPHER USED IT IN THE PAST TO TURN POKÉMON INTO WEAPONS.

AND SO MEWTWO'S ON HIS WAY HERE TO FIND DARKRAI, OR XD002.